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In re Application of:

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT AFTER RCE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action date May 28, 2003, in the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request amendment and reconsideration. concurrently with this Amendment is a Request for Continued Examination and two Terminal Disclaimers that obviate the double patenting rejections raised by the Examiner in the May 28, 2003 Office Action. Also filed concurrently herewith is a divisional application that presents the method claims which the Examiner withdrew from consideration in the May 28, 2003 Office Action. Finally, also filed herewith is a petition for an extension of time.

Attached hereto on separate sheets is: a) an amendment to the claims; and b) a remark section.